CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication:	DolceModz - Star 005_042.jpg
Other known title(s):	Not stated
OFLC ref:	1300222.003
Medium:	Computer Image File Printout
Publisher:	Not stated
Country of origin:	Not stated
Language:	Not applicable
Applicant:	Secretary for Internal Affairs
Classification:	Objectionable.
Descriptive note:	None
Display conditions:	None
Date of entry in Register:	02 May 2013
Date of direction to issue a label:	No direction to issue a label has been issued
Date of notice of decision:	02 May 2013

Summary of reasons for decision:

The computer image file printout is deemed objectionable because it promotes and supports the exploitation of young persons for sexual purposes.

The image on the printout is of a girl who appears to be pubescent. The garment she is wearing has been adjusted to show parts of her genitals and the underside of her developing breasts. The purpose of the image is to sexually titillate or arouse people with a sexual interest in children and young people, particularly girls. The computer file encourages this sexual interest.

The classification of this publication interferes with the right to freedom of expression set out in the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. However, this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention and is a reasonable limitation on the freedom of expression. The classification reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to protect its young and vulnerable members from sexual exploitation.